

### County of Los Angeles

# Sheriff's Department Headquarters 4700 Ramona Boulevard Monterey Park, California 91754–2169



LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

January 17, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

## APPROVE AN APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT FOR GRANT FUNDS (ALL DISTRICTS) (4 VOTES)

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve an Appropriation Adjustment for the Sheriff's Department to allocate funds to address the unique equipment needs of large, high-threat urban areas.
- 2. Authorize the County's Purchasing Agent to proceed with the solicitation and purchase of fixed asset items in excess of \$250,000.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Domestic Preparedness (ODP), is providing supplemental financial assistance under the Fiscal Year 2005 Urban Areas Security Initiative (FY05 UASI), for five urban areas within California. The funds may be used for assessment and security strategies; equipment, training, planning, exercise, and operational needs; and the building of an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism.

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The State of California's Office of Homeland Security (OHS) has given the City of Long Beach (Long Beach UASI Working Group) authorization to administer this grant. The City has already applied for and been awarded the grant on behalf of the Long Beach Urban Area. Now that the grant has been awarded and jurisdictions approved for funding, these grants must obtain appropriation authority before beginning the purchasing process.

#### Implementation of Strategic Plan

Access to these grant funds addresses the following County Strategic Plan goals:

- Goal No. 1: Service Excellence, Strategy 1 Develop standards for userfriendly service by improving the ability of first responder agencies to deal with terrorism.
- Goal No. 2: Workforce Excellence, Strategy 2 Create a positive workforce by providing needed equipment for first responders and by providing assistance to develop the tools necessary to respond to any emergency, including terrorism.
- Goal No. 4: Fiscal Responsibility, Strategy 2 Invest in public infrastructure by providing grant funds for the purchase of needed equipment.
- Goal No. 5: Children and Families' Well-Being, Strategy 3 Engage departments in planning efforts towards achieving the five outcomes for children and families by enhancing their safety and survival.
- Goal No. 8: Public Safety, Strategy 2 Identify essential equipment and necessary training for all County first responders by evaluating/assessing previous equipment purchases, and planning and exercising for the proper use of equipment.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This grant is fully funded by ODP. There are no cost-share or matching fund requirements. Approval of the Appropriation Adjustment will increase the Sheriff's Department's 2005-06 Budget by \$268,000 and the Department will be reimbursed for that amount. This will increase spending in Fixed Assets by

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\$268,000. These funds will be utilized to purchase encryption equipment for Data Systems Bureau. The encryption equipment is required in order to secure law enforcement communication systems throughout the County.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

ODP and OHS have provided the Long Beach Urban Area Working Group with specific guidelines for the administration and management of these grants. These guidelines detail the activities and expenditures that are allowable. The grant period is October 1, 2004 to December 31, 2006.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The acquisition of equipment will ensure that the County's first responders are prepared to respond to terrorism events. These funds will also assist the Sheriff's Department to be better prepared for a terrorism event.

#### CONCLUSION

Upon your Board's approval, please return four (4) individually certified copies of the Board-adopted letter to the Sheriff's Department's Office of Homeland Security. The Sheriff's Department's contact for the requested Board action is Pamela Gardner, Operations Assistant III, at (323) 981-5918.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA

SHERIFF

#### COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#### REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF

SHERIFF

**DECEMBER 23.** 12005

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION. ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

(4 VOTES)

**SOURCES** 

USES

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - PATROL **REVENUE - FEDERAL - OTHER** A01 - SH - 15682 - 9001 \$268,000

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - PATROL **FIXED ASSETS** A01 - SH - 15682 - 6030 \$268,000

JUSTIFICATION: APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT TO ALLOW THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DATA SYSTEMS BUREAU TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR ENCRYPTION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ROUTERS. THIS WILL, BE OFFSET BY FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE OF DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS UNDER THE FY 2005 URBAN AREAS SECURITY INITIATIVE (FY 05 UASI) AND WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE CITY OF LONG BEACH (LONG BEACH UASI WORKING GROUP).

CONRAD MEREDITH DIRECTOR

**ASD - FINANCIAL PROGRAMS** 

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

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